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| In re Application of: |) | |
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| Tomoaki Mori et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 3711 |
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| Application No.: 10/537,776 |) | Examiner: Alvin A. Hunter |
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| Filed: June 6, 2005 |) | Confirmation No.: 4882 |
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| For: Golf Club and Method of Designing |) | Mail Stop AF |
| Hollow Golf Club Head |) | |

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DOCUMENTS

The issuance of the Notice of Allowance of November 6, 2008 is appreciated.

However, it is requested that the Examiner return an acknowledged copy of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on August 13, 2007 and on October 31, 2007. A copy of each Statement with a stamped postcard showing its receipt on that day is enclosed. Applicants have no record of receiving an acknowledged copy of either Statement.

As noted in the Statement of August 31, 2007, it was a repeat of the one filed June 6, 2005 because the Examiner had not considered six of the cited Japanese patent publications because no translation of them was provided. See copy of Form PTO/SB/08 attached to the Office Action of April 13, 2007.

However, all of these references were cited in the International Search Report and an English translation of the Search Report was submitted with these documents.

Accordingly, under the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609.04(a)III, the Examiner should have considered these six Japanese references.

To avoid duplication, since the Examiner did consider four references listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of June 6, 2005, perhaps these four should be deleted by the Examiner in the Form PTO/SB/08 filed August 31, 2007.

It would also be appreciated if the Examiner would indicate that the Replacement Drawing of FIG. 1 submitted with the National Phase application on June 6, 2005 has been approved. Applicants want to be sure the correct FIG 1 issues in the patent. Applicants do not see where the Examiner has indicated such approval in any of the Office Actions.

If the Examiner has any questions about the above, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. One month Extension of Time - 2 pgs
2. Reply (4-13-07) OA - 19 pgs
3. Certified translation Japn. Appln. No. 2002-355821
4. Information Disclosure Statement - 2 pgs
5. Form PTO/SB/08 - 1 pg
6. Copy Int'l Search Report - 2 pgs
7. Check - \$120.00



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1. Information Disclosure Statement - 2 pgs
2. Form PTO/SB/08 - 1 pg
3. Office Action w/partial Eng. trans. (corr. Japn appln.)
4. Two Japn. refs. w/Eng. Abstracts & complete trans.
5. Complete Eng. trans. of JP 04-089071 & JP 63-257583

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